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The status of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

The above-referenced application was filed on January 19, 2005, however, to date we have not received the Official Filing Receipt.

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